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("**East Star**" or the "**Company**")

Delay to Publication of Final Results

East Star Resources Plc (LSE: EST), the Kazakhstan-focused gold and copper explorer, provides the following update regarding the publication of its annual report and financial statement for the year ended 31 December 2025 ("FY25"). In accordance with the FCA's UK Listing Rules and the Disclosure Guidance and Transparency Rules, the Company is required to publish its audited accounts for FY25 by 30 April 2026. Whilst the audit is nearly complete, the publication of the annual report has been delayed by approximately one week primarily due to a randomly applied audit by the Kazakhstan Tax Department on one of the Company's in-country subsidiaries. This arose during a critical period of the audit process and impacted the timeline for completing the consolidated financial statements. In prioritising the Kazakh compliance requirements, the Company ensured that in-country operations continued unhindered.

The Board confirms that the delay is procedural in nature and does not reflect any issues concerning the financial position or results of the Group. The Board anticipates that the annual report and financial statements will be finalised next week, and a further announcement will be made upon publication.

As a result of the delay in publishing the FY25 audited accounts, the Company's shares will be suspended for a short period with effect from 7.30 a.m. today, pending publication of the FY25 audited accounts next week.

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About East Star Resources Plc
East Star Resources is focused on the discovery and development of copper and gold in Kazakhstan. The Company is pursuing multiple exploration strategies including:

- A joint venture with Hong Kong Xinhai Mining Services Limited to take the Verkhuba Deposit (20.3Mt @ 1.16% copper, 1.54% zinc and 0.27% lead) into production (at no further cost to East Star) with East Star retaining 30% ownership in production
- A second VMS Exploration Target with up to 23Mt @ 2.4% copper equivalent in the same region, with numerous other targets being advanced to drill-ready status
- A $25 million+ strategic gold exploration joint venture with Endeavour Mining
- Tier 1 potential copper porphyry targets and epithermal gold targets in a proven copper porphyry and epithermal belt

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The person who arranged for the release of this announcement was Alex Walker, CEO of the Company.

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